

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- Claims pending at time of the Action: Claims 1-28
- Amended Claims: Claims 1-6, 8-9, 11, and 21-25
- Cancelled Claims: Claim 26
- Claims pending after this Response: Claims 1-25 and 27-28

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

recording a live broadcast video program on a client device;

recording, on the client device, metadata associated with the live broadcast video program, wherein the metadata includes a scheduled program length;

receiving updated metadata associated with the live broadcast video program, wherein the updated metadata indicates an exact program length; and

replacing the previously recorded metadata with the updated metadata; and

if a length of the recorded live broadcast is greater than the exact program length, then deleting from the client device a portion of the recording that exceeds the exact program length;

wherein the recording of the live broadcast continues for longer than the scheduled program length.

2. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising requesting updated metadata associated with the live broadcast video program periodically.

3. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the recording of the live broadcast continues for about 133% of the scheduled program length. ~~further comprising requesting updated metadata associated with a plurality of video programs at regular intervals.~~

4. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising requesting updated metadata associated with the live broadcast ~~video program~~ from a content server, wherein the content server is coupled to a plurality of data providers and the content server automatically receives updates from the plurality of data providers.

5. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising:

receiving a request to display information regarding the live broadcast ~~video program~~; and

displaying at least a portion of the information contained in the updated metadata;

receiving a request to display all of the information contained in the updated metadata; and

displaying all of the information contained in the updated metadata.

6. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the updated metadata includes information generated after the live broadcast ~~video program~~ was recorded, the information including at least one of a result of a sporting event, a player setting a new record, or an award received.

7. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the updated metadata has an associated timestamp.

8. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising:

receiving second updated metadata;

determining whether the second updated metadata is more current than the previously received updated metadata;

if the second updated metadata is more current than the previously received updated metadata, then replacing the previously received updated metadata with the second updated metadata;

if the second updated metadata indicates a second exact program length that is shorter than the exact program length indicated in the previously received updated metadata, then deleting from the client device a portion of the recording that exceeds the second exact program length.

9. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 8 further comprising discarding the second updated metadata if the previously received updated metadata is more current than the second updated metadata, and maintaining the previously received updated metadata as the current metadata used by the client device.

10. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising communicating the updated metadata to at least one client device.

11. (Currently Amended) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the live broadcast is a sporting event ~~video program includes audio data~~.

12. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 1.

13. (Original) A method comprising:

- receiving metadata associated with program content;
- providing the received metadata to a plurality of client devices;
- receiving updated metadata associated with the program content;
- determining whether the updated metadata is more current than the previously received metadata; and
- if the updated metadata is more current than the previously received metadata:
 - replacing the previously received metadata with the updated metadata; and
 - providing the updated metadata to the plurality of client devices.

14. (Original) A method as recited in claim 13 further comprising discarding the updated metadata if the previously received metadata is more current than the updated metadata.

15. (Original) A method as recited in claim 13 wherein determining whether the updated metadata is more current than the previously received metadata includes comparing a timestamp associated with the updated metadata to a timestamp associated with the previously received metadata.

16. (Original) A method as recited in claim 13 further comprising storing the metadata associated with program content after receiving the metadata.

17. (Original) A method as recited in claim 13 further comprising storing the updated metadata if the updated metadata is more current than the previously received metadata.

18. (Original) A method as recited in claim 13 further comprising requesting updated metadata associated with the program content periodically.

19. (Original) A method as recited in claim 13 wherein the updated metadata includes information generated after the program content was received.

20. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 13.

21. (Currently Amended) One or more computer-readable media having stored thereon a computer program that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to:

receive a request to display available content;

identify metadata associated with the available content;

determine whether other metadata associated with the available content is available ~~more current than the identified metadata~~;

if the other metadata associated with the available content conflicts with ~~is more current than~~ the identified metadata, then resolve the conflict and generate a display of available content, ~~using the other metadata; and~~
~~if the identified metadata is more current than the other metadata associated with the available content, then generate a display of available content using the identified metadata.~~

22. (Currently Amended) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 21 wherein resolving the conflict comprises maintaining both the identified metadata and the other metadata and the display of available content displays both the identified metadata and the other metadata. ~~timestamps associated with the identified metadata and the other metadata are used to determine whether other metadata is more current than the identified metadata.~~

23. (Currently Amended) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 21 wherein if the other metadata associated with the available content comes from a data provider with a higher accuracy ranking ~~is more current~~ than the identified metadata, then replacing the identified metadata with the other metadata.

24. (Currently Amended) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 21 wherein if the identified metadata associated with the available content comes from a data provider with a higher accuracy ranking than the other metadata, then discarding the other metadata. ~~the request to display available content is received from a client device~~

~~coupled to a display device.~~

25. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

a storage device; ~~and~~

a processor coupled to the storage device, wherein the processor is configured to:

record broadcast content and metadata associated with the broadcast content on the storage device; ~~wherein the processor is further to~~

receive updated metadata associated with the broadcast content; and ~~, and~~

~~wherein the processor is to~~

replace the previously recorded metadata with the updated metadata if the updated metadata is more current than previously recorded metadata;

a two-way communication interface coupled to the processor, wherein the communication interface is configured to receive updated metadata from a plurality of data providers coupled to the apparatus, and wherein the updated metadata is communicated using simple object access protocol (SOAP) messages transported using hypertext transfer protocol (http); and

a modem coupled to the processor, wherein the modem comprises at least one of a Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) modem, a Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) modem, or a cable modem.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 25 wherein the processor is further to generate a listing of available content based on metadata stored on the storage device.

28. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 25 wherein the processor is further to request updated metadata associated with the broadcast content at regular intervals.